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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A method for certifying ~~structural components of at least a portion of an interior~~ portion of a structure relative to moisture content, comprising the steps of:

measuring a plurality of moisture content levels within ~~said structural components of said portion of the interior~~ portion of the structure;

determining if each of said plurality of moisture content levels is within a desired level; and

issuing a moisture level compliance certificate if the result of said determining step is that each of said plurality of moisture content levels is below the desired level; and

~~issuing a moisture level non-compliance certificate if the results of said determining step is that at least one of said plurality of moisture contents levels is not below the desired level~~

wherein said measuring step includes taking measurements of said moisture content levels around at least one window frame and at least one door frame, and along at least one floor, at least one wall and at least one ceiling, all of which are included within said interior portion of said structure.

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Claims 2-4 (Cancelled).

Claim 5 (Original): The method according to claim 1, wherein said structure is a new construction.

Claim 6 (Original): The method according to claim 1, wherein said structure is a remodel construction.

Claim 7 (Original): The method according to claim 1, wherein said structure is an existing structure in absence of significant new construction or remodel construction.

Claim 8 (Original): The method according to claim 1, wherein said structure is a residential structure.

Claim 9 (Original): The method according to claim 1, wherein said structure is a single family residential structure.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): The method according to claim 1, wherein said desired level is 20% or lower.

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Claim 11 (Currently Amended): A building moisture certification system, comprising:

moisture measurement apparatus for measuring a plurality of moisture content levels within at least an interior ~~structural components of a~~ portion of a building to be certified;

determining means for determining if each of said plurality of moisture content levels is within a desired level, and

issuing means for issuing a moisture level compliance certificate if the result of said determining ~~step means~~ is that each of said plurality of moisture content levels is below the desired level ~~and for issuing a moisture level non-compliance certificate if the results of said determining step is that at least one of said plurality of moisture contents is not below the desired level.~~

wherein said moisture measurement apparatus is used to take measurements of said moisture content levels around at least one window frame and at least one door frame, and along at least one floor, at least one wall and at least one ceiling, which are included within said interior portion of said building.

Claim 12 (Cancelled).

Claim 13 (Currently Amended): The system according to claim 11, wherein said ~~criterion comprises moisture level being~~ desired level is below 20% or lower.

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Claim 14 (Original): The system according to claim 11, wherein said building is a remodel construction.

Claim 15 (Original): The system according to claim 11, wherein said building is a residential structure.

Claim 16 (Original): The system according to claim 11, wherein said building is a single family residential structure.

Claim 17 (Original): The system according to claim 11, wherein said building is an existing structure in absence of significant new construction or remodel construction.

Claim 18 (Original): The system according to claim 11, wherein said building is a new construction.

Claims 19-26 (Cancelled).

Claim 27 (Original): The method according to claim 1, wherein said building is an office.

Claim 28 (Original): The system according to claim 11, wherein said building is an office.

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Claim 29 (Original): The method according to claim 1, wherein said desired level is 18% or lower.

Claim 30 (Original): The system according to claim 11, wherein said desired level is 18% or lower.

Claims 31-34 (Cancelled).

Claim 35 (New): The method according to claim 1, wherein a moisture level non-compliance certificate is issued if the results of said determining step is that at least one of said plurality of moisture contents levels is not below the desired level.

Claim 36 (New): The system according to claim 11, wherein said issuing means issues a moisture level non-compliance certificate if the results of said determining step is that at least one of said plurality of moisture contents levels is not below the desired level.